HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 580

By Powell

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Jim Wilson.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the death of Jim Wilson of Nashville; and

WHEREAS, Jim Wilson spent ten seasons as a football coach at Goodpasture High School while also serving as the coach who led the 1988 baseball team to a Class AA championship; and

WHEREAS, he took over as head football coach at Glencliff High School in 1990, eventually leading that team to the Class 5A final in 1999; and

WHEREAS, he left Glencliff in 2002 but returned to coach East Nashville in 2010 and coached for another two years, leading the Eagles to the Class 3A playoffs in his first season; and

WHEREAS, over twenty-five seasons as a football coach, Mr. Wilson won 148 games; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wilson was as dedicated and passionate about students in his care on the football field as he was in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, he was interested in instilling values of perseverance, diligence, sportsmanship, and Christianity into his players and students; and

WHEREAS, Jim Wilson was a dedicated family man and enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife, Gail, and his sons Monty, Clint, and stepson Kevin Akin; and

WHEREAS, Jim Wilson leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE

CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Jim Wilson, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Wilson.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.